



King County

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, substance use and mental illness are serious health problems affecting millions of Americans of all ages, races, and income levels, and across all communities; and

WHEREAS, behavioral health is essential to overall health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, substance use and mental illness are treatable, and people should seek treatment for these conditions with the same urgency as they would any other health condition; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of prevention and treatment are significant and people in recovery achieve healthy lifestyles, both physically and emotionally, and contribute in positive ways to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month is an opportunity to share the message that prevention works, treatment is effective, and recovery is possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dow Constantine, King County Executive, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2012 to be

Recovery Month

in King County and call upon all residents to join me in recognizing, celebrating, and supporting this year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: It's Worth It."



Dow Constantine
King County Executive